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REQUEST TO CHANGE SMALL ENTITY STATUS
TO LARGE ENTITY STATUS

Dear Sir:

The Assignee as identified above hereby respectfully requests that records in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office show that as owners of the above identified Patent they are **not** entitled to Small Entity Status.

ASSERTION OF ENTITLEMENT
TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS

I, Michael O. Sturm, an attorney of record for the above identified Assignee and Patent, do hereby declare that as owners of this Patent, Assignee does not qualify as a small entity.

I hereby certify that this Assertion of Loss of Entitlement to Small Entity Status is being facsimile transmitted to: 561-273-8300, at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on

May 1, 2006
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The assertion of non-entitlement of small entity status is being made at the time of paying the first maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of any patent to which this statement is directed.

Payment of the first maintenance fee will be made in the very near future and after the filing of this Assertion.

Respectfully submitted,

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